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IN THE CLAIMS -

The claims are 1-8.

Please amend FIGURES 5 and 6 to add the description "50".

Please amend FIGURE 7 to add the legend "PRIOR ART". See proposed change to the drawings enclosed.

IN THE SPECIFICATION -

Please amend page 5, at line 8 to read:

Here 8 spaced ribs or radii are shown.

Please amend page 6, at lines 2-3 to read:

Such a disk configuration would be utilized if the construction of the umbrella were to omit a top finial such as 50 shown in FIGURES 5 and 6.

Please amend claim 1 at line 2 to read:

1. A thatched umbrella having the appearance of a South Seas or Caribbean a fixed open position thatched umbrella but which is openable and closeable, which umbrella comprises:

Please amend claim 8 at line 4 to read:

8. A thatched umbrella having the appearance of a South Seas or Caribbean fixed